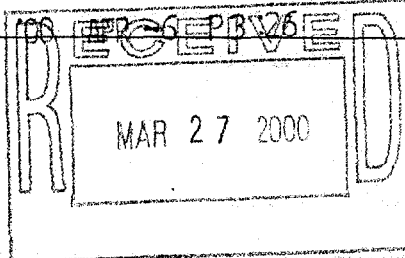




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Food and Drug Administration  
Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450)  
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition  
200 C Street, SW  
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Dear Sirs:

Notice is hereby given that Rexall Sundown, Inc. ("Sundown") located at 6111 Broken Sound Parkway, N.W., Boca Raton, Florida 33487 has marketed a dietary supplement under the Thompson, Rexall and Sundown brand names bearing the following statement(s) on the label and/or in the labeling:

Milk Thistle (Thompson): For healthy liver function. Milk thistle seed extract contains a group of flavonolignans collectively called silymarin which protect and strengthen the liver and promote healthy liver function.

Milk Thistle XTRA (Sundown): [For] healthy liver function. Milk thistle has been shown to protect the liver and help maintain healthy liver function. It contains silymarin, a flavonoid with antioxidant activity. Research shows that milk thistle protects liver cells from toxins and helps accelerate the regeneration of liver tissue. Sundown's Milk Thistle XTRA offers XTRA support for healthy liver function with cleansing dandelion, nourishing fennel and soothing licorice.

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The undersigned certifies that the information contained in this notice is complete and accurate and that Sundown has substantiation that the statement is truthful and not misleading. Pursuant to § 101.93 (a)(1), two copies of this notification are enclosed.

Sincerely,

Deborah Shur Trinker  
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs  
and Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure